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**Applicants:** Walker et al.  
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**Title:** SYSTEMS AND METHODS WHEREIN A SECURITY DEPOSIT FACILITATES A TRANSACTION IN WHICH A BENEFIT IS APPLIED IN EXCHANGE FOR PERFORMANCE OF A TASK  
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**AMENDMENT and RESPONSE**  
**to the Election/Restriction Requirement**  
**in the Office Action mailed August 10, 2005 (Paper No. 20050801)**

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Dear Examiner:

In response to the requirement to elect/restrict species in the Office Action mailed August 10, 2005 (Paper No. 20050801), please enter this amendment and consider the following remarks.

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